

PUBLIC NOTICE – NEW RIVER VALLEY WATER SUPPLY PLAN

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on the New River Valley Water Supply Plan submitted to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) under §9 VAC 25-780, et seq, Local and Regional Water Supply Planning regulation.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: January 4, 2013 – February 5, 2013

DESCRIPTION OF THE WATER SUPPLY PLAN:

The New River Valley Water Supply Plan ("Plan"), dated September 2011, identifies existing water sources, estimates current and future water demand, and assesses the need for additional sources for future water supply for the Counties of Montgomery, Floyd, Pulaski, Giles, the City of Radford and the Towns of Floyd, Pulaski, Dublin, Pembroke, Pearisburg, Narrows, Rich Creek, and Glen Lyn. DEQ has issued a tentative determination of compliance to Kevin Byrd, Executive Director of the New River Valley Planning District Commission. The following is a brief summary of the Plan:

The plan covers community water systems that are supplied by ground water, surface water, and a reservoir. Self supplied users are included as well. Ground water, the New River and Peak Creek, and Claytor Lake are listed as principal sources for community water systems and large self supplied users. Several localities in the New River Valley purchase water from each other. Additionally water is purchased from the neighboring Towns of Christiansburg and Blacksburg.

In general the planning region does not anticipate a supply deficit during the planning period. However some individual localities are experiencing demands that are expected to push permit limitations so documentation is provided on their efforts to proactively address potential shortfalls.

HOW TO COMMENT: DEQ accepts written comments by e-mail, or postal mail. Written comments should include the name, address and telephone number of the person commenting and be received by DEQ during the comment period. The regional water supply plan is available from the contact below or on the DEQ website at www.deq.virginia.gov. Upon review of written comments submitted in response to this public notice, DEQ will make a final compliance determination decision.

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